

## Message Text

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ACTION CU-04

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P 062247Z MAY 77

FM AMEMBASSY QUITO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4206

UNCLAS QUITO 2980

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OEXC, EC, PINR

SUBJECT: FY/77 IV PROGRAM

REF: QUITO A-89; AUGUST 24, 1976

1. RAUL CANIZARES IS NO LONGER UNDER SECRETARY OF FISHERIES. PRESENTLY HE HOLDS MILITARY POSITION. IV COMMITTEE AGREED IN SUBSTITUTING HIM WITH CURRENT UNDER SECRETARY EDMUNDO MENA.

2. MENA HAS BEEN CONTACTED AND IS WILLING TO GO. MINISTER'S AUTHORIZATION HAS BEEN GRANTED. HE CAN TRAVEL JUNE 5 FOR A THREE-WEEK PERIOD. POST WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE WITH TRAVEL DATE AS IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR MENA TO TRAVEL SOME OTHER TIME.

3. AS UNDERSECRETARY OF FISHERIES, MENA IS THE KEY GOE OFFICIAL DEALING WITH THE CRITICAL AREA OF TUNA FISHING BY FOREIGN VESSELS. THE USG AND GOE HAVE FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS BEEN ABLE TO AVOID THE "TUNA WAR" OF PAST YEARS AND EFFORTS ARE BEING SOUGHT TO FIND A LASTING SOLUTION TO THIS LONG-STANDING DISPUTE, AND IRRITANT TO OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. AN UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION BY MENA OF U.S. POSITION IN THIS KEY FOREIGN POLICY ISSUE WILL BE DECISIVE IN ITS RESOLUTION.

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4. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AS FOLLOWS:

- NAME: REAR ADMIRAL (RETIRED) EDMUNDO MENA SALVADOR
- SIGNIFICANT PAST POSITIONS: SECRETARY, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL; HEAD, POLITICAL DEPARTMENT, ECUADOREAN ARMED FORCES.
- PERSONAL DATA: BORN IN GUAYAQUIL, MARCH 5, 1923.

ECUADOREAN. MARRIED. SIX CHILDREN.

- HOME ADDRESS: 287 SANCHEZ DE LA CARRERA, QUITO

- EMERGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS: ROSA DELGADO DE MENA  
(WIFE).

SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE.

- EDUCATION:

ECUADOREAN NAVY ACADEMY

COURSE ON ANTI-SUBMARINE WAR, TALCAHUANO, CHILE, 1952

NAVAL COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE, CHILEAN NAVY WAR COLLEGE,  
1958-99

- HONORS:

MILITARY DECORATIONS GRANTED BY ECUADOREAN, CHILEAN  
AND BRAZILIAN ARMED FORCES.

- TRAVEL ABROAD:

U.S.A., CUBA, PANAMA, VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA, MEXICO--MILITARY  
DUTIES

CARACAS, GENEVE, NEW YORK--TO PARTICIPATE IN

LOS CONFERENCES

- KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: SLIGHT. INTERPRETER WILL BE  
NECESSARY.

5. VIA ELIGIBILITY IN PROCESS.

6. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY.  
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